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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of Kazuhiko Kobayashi

Serial No.: 10/677,356

Group Art Unit: 2832

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Examiner: Rojas, Bernard

For:

ELECTROMAGNETIC SOLENOID AND SHIFT ACTUATOR FOR A

TRANSMISSION USING THE SAME

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION AND RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 20, 2004, please consider the following:

REMARKS

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group II (e.g., drawn to a shift actuator of a transmission as defined by claim 4), without traverse. Applicant reserves the opportunity to file a Divisional Application for the non-elected invention later.

Early, favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.